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YALE BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.
242-A YALE STATION, NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT
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REX THOMPSON, FEATURED IN THE KING OF HEARTS, AND CURRENTLY IN REHEARSAL FOR THE ROBERT MONTGOMERY TELEVISION PRODUCTION OF DAVID COPPERFIELD, WAS TODAY NAMED THE "OUTSTANDING JUVENILE ACTOR FOR THE YEAR 1954". THE CITATION WAS PRESENTED TO THOMPSON BY THE YALE BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC., WYBC AND WYBC-TV, THE UNDERGRADUATE RADIO AND TELEVISION STATION AT YALE UNIVERSITY, ON THE OCCASION OF HIS VISIT TO THEIR STUDIOS. THOMPSON WAS CITED FOR HIS "HIGHLY SENSITIVE AND INTELLIGENT PORTRAYAL OF NORMAN IN THE BROADWAY PRESENTATION OF THE KING OF HEARTS, AND FOR HIS ROLE OF PIP IN ROBERT MONTGOMERY'S TV PRODUCTION OF GREAT EXPECTATIONS EARLIER THIS YEAR.

THE AWARD, PRESENTED BY THE OFFICERS OF WYBC, READS AS FOLLOWS:

"THE YALE BROADCASTING COMPANY TAKES GREAT PLEASURE IN NAMING REX THOMPSON AS ITS CHOICE FOR THE OUTSTANDING JUVENILE ACTOR FOR THE YEAR 1954. THIS AWARD IS GIVEN IN RECOGNITION OF HIS INTERPRETATION OF YOUNG PIP IN ROBERT MONTGOMERY'S TELEVISION PRODUCTION OF GREAT EXPECTATIONS, AND FOR HIS HIGHLY SENSITIVE AND INTELLIGENT PORTRAYAL OF NORMAN IN THE BROADWAY PRESENTATION, THE KING OF HEARTS."

THE SCROLL WAS SIGNED BY JAMES T. BOORSCH AND CHARLES A. KRAUSE, CHAIRMAN AND PUBLIC RELATIONS DIRECTOR OF WYBC RESPECTIVELY.

SOME OF THOMPSON'S OTHER CREDITS INCLUDE A FEATURED ROLE WITH GERTRUDE LAWRENCE IN THE KING AND I, AND THE PART OF THE CHILD KING IN THE MGM MOVIE PRODUCTION OF YOUNG BESS WITH JEAN SIMMONS AND CHARLES LAUGHTON.

